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Applicant : Kenji Sakai et al.

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COMPOSITION USED FOR POLISHING

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This paper is filed in response to the Office Action of September 7, 2006. Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.